

1-1 By: Nelson S.B. No. 129
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed November 27, 2012; January 29, 2013,
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Jurisprudence;
1-4 March 18, 2013, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 6,
1-5 Nays 0; March 18, 2013, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-8	West	X		
1-9	Rodriguez	X		
1-10	Campbell	X		
1-11	Carona		X	
1-12	Garcia	X		
1-13	Hancock	X		
1-14	Paxton	X		

1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to proper venue for filing an application for a protective
1-18 order against family violence.

1-19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-20 SECTION 1. Section 82.003, Family Code, is amended to read
1-21 as follows:

1-22 Sec. 82.003. VENUE. An application may be filed in:

1-23 (1) the county in which the applicant resides; ~~or~~

1-24 (2) the county in which the respondent resides; or

1-25 (3) any county in which the family violence is alleged
1-26 to have occurred.

1-27 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
1-28 to an application for a protective order that is filed on or after
1-29 the effective date of this Act. An application for a protective
1-30 order filed before the effective date of this Act is governed by the
1-31 law in effect on the date the application is filed, and the former
1-32 law is continued in effect for that purpose.

1-33 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-34 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-35 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-36 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-37 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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